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In re Patent Application of:
Esteban Yepez, III et al.

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Examiner: S. Blount

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DE-
PRIORITIZATION OF BYPASS PACKETS IN
A PACKET BASED COMMUNICATION
SYSTEM

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. Also, please find enclosed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.